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DELIVERY OF PHARMACEUTICAL  
AGENTS

Examiner: R. Schnizer

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated October 18, 2006 (Paper No. 20061010), for which a response was due on January 18, 2007. Filed herewith are a Petition and fee for a three month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to April 18, 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein, are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 12 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.